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For: CUSHION SYSTEM FOR WAFER CARRIERS

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 7, 1999, and in accordance with the automatic extension of time for response provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. <sup>(amended)</sup> A wafer enclosure for holding a plurality of wafers in a horizontal stacked configuration, the enclosure having a wall with an inwardly facing surface, an outwardly facing surface, an attachment opening in said wall, said attachment opening having a diameter, a front opening for passing wafers to and from said enclosure, a door to close said front opening, and an elongate wafer engagement component for contacting the edge portions of wafers stacked in the enclosure, the wafer engagement component comprising a base portion that extends along the inwardly facing surface, an attachment portion integral with said base portion for insertion into

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